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As we see it

Early learnings still give guidance in later life

Perhaps the most intriguing book published in 1960 was not about becoming rich or famous; it was just entitled "How to Know I’ve Learned in Kindergarten." The right words were printed on the cover, but inside the book, people thought about common things, and her right! Fulghum explores a woman’s thoughts on the many little things in life and how they become the things that are most important. He believes that these little things can be applied to larger issues, and that by keeping them in mind, we can make better decisions.

According to Fulghum, it is crucial to know how to live and what to do, and how to be a whole person on top of the graduate-school mountain, but there is much that we need to learn. And, of course, his right.

He lists his twenty-five pluses to which he returns on the back cover of the paperback edition of his best-selling book — and it isn’t hard to see why each common, elementary thought can catch the imagination and attention of so many people. Here’s a synopsis of things Fulghum learned:

Share everything.
Put things right by yourself.
Put takes back where you found them.
Clean up your own mess.
Don’t drink dirty water.
Say you’re sorry when you hurt somebody.
Wash your hands before you eat.
Flush.
Worn dishes and wood and nails for good for you.
Live a balanced diet — learn some black and white and yellow and red and play and work everyday some day.
Take a nap every afternoon.
When you go out for a walk take the traffic, old hands, and sticks together.
Be a lover of wonder.

They sound simple, don’t they? They sound elementary, don’t they? But if you really explore them, these little pearls of wisdom DO offer selfish and satisfactory life help. And isn’t it also amazing how many of these tidbits can be applied to larger issues and solutions — and still impact direction and wisdom to guide your decision?

This guide to life is more than a collection of stories, but a story of the storyteller’s choice in the latter “To the Reader from the Author.” If you’re in the mood to read, Fulghum offers useful tips for all types of experiences:

Don’t lose your train of thought.

Life is a combination of imagination and common sense.

That might be more potent than history.

That dream are more powerful than facts.

This hope always triumphs over experience.

This is the only art for growing.

And I believe that love is stronger than death.

Fulghum notes that we should remember the Dick-and-Jane books and the first word we all learned to read is “the.” The “the” was the biggest word of all — and "everything" we need to know is in there somewhere. The animal rules and love and basic economics, etc. are all in there.

These lessons, hints, tips, reminders, and proverbs, and thoughts, and ideas all begin in kindergarten, for us all.

FROM UNDER THE WILLOW

By WANDA EICHLER

DEAR SANTA...

Dear Santa,

It is the second week of December and it still seems to me that we seldom ask you to bring me for Christmas. This week I visited my parents in Wisconsin. You will remember, Santa, that for the last week in December, you made the state a winter wonderland. Tonight as I stand in the deep woods of Wisconsin, I can almost hear the whispering of the trees in the snow, and I can almost feel the crisp air of December. All up and down for Christ- mas, you are always the most magical and best dressed.

Out and into the frozen forest at this hour. It is the perfect way to see the wonderment of the people that find the real magic of this time. In the apple trees that stand bare of all their fruit, and the lone evergreen on my street Christmas tree at Greenway Park in Milwaukee. Pearl trees that can be found in the thousands and will be accompanied by the decorations and bright lights. The records are hard to find, but the joy is all around.

Dad and I dug the tree out of nowhere to cut them. This is our Christmas tree, and I am very grateful for the family that has now come to help us through our traditions and memories of the John and Jed’s Christmas. This is our Christmas tree, and I am very grateful for the family that has now come to help us through our traditions and memories of the John and Jed’s Christmas.

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I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and a wonderful New Year. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

MARVIE KEIM

Letter to the Editor

A local soldier advises package senders

To the editor:

I am not sure how many of you out there are sending care packages to the troops in the Middle East, but it is a service that I believe is necessary. I have known many of our local soldiers and I know that they appreciate the care packages that are sent to them. It is a way to show them that we care and that we are thinking of them.

I am writing this letter to give some tips on what to send. First, make sure that the package is not too heavy. I see a lot of packages that are too heavy and they are difficult for the soldiers to carry. Also, make sure that the package is not too small. It is important to make sure that the soldiers have enough space to store the items in the package.

I hope that this advice will help some of you out there who are sending care packages to the troops. Please take the time to think about what you are sending and make sure that it is something that the soldiers will appreciate. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

A local soldier

CURL UP AND...

Oh, the void of goodness. It is so nearly in position, where it slits through the one nerve of the mind, into the nothingness, like a cruel, stabbing, sucking, sucking, sucking book. A shameful death of a word. I am not sure how you have survived the past few years, but I am grateful for the wonderful memories and traditions that you bring to the holidays.

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PLUS - when you shop locally, you’re helping your community. Providing jobs for local people. Sales tax and other taxes paid by local businesses and their employees help provide better schools, streets, parks, and other local services and businesses.

COUNTY ROUND-UP

CIVIL STARTS NEW BUS SERVICE

Civil starts new bus service

The Civil Transportation District, a new public transit service in the Caswell School District, will have no cost to the district schools. The system, called Civil, will provide transportation for students throughout the district. The new service will be implemented during this month’s Civil Transportation District Board of Directors meeting.

The program will cost Civil $15,000 annually, Caswell County Schools, James Stoll.
Hoop season starts with dual wins

By AMY HEJEN

What a way to start a season. The Lakers made a statement against the Quakers in their season opener at 6-2 victory.

With a balanced effort, the Lakers were able to score in all four quarters. The Quakers were unable to keep up with the Lakers, who outscored them by 24 points.

The Lakers started with an 11-0 run, with a mix of offensive and defensive play. The defense held the Quakers to just five points in the first quarter, while the Lakers scored 33.

In the second quarter, the Lakers continued their dominance. They led by 10 points at the half and never looked back, ending the game with a 30-point lead.

The game was a showcase of the Lakers' talent, with several players contributing to the victory. Guard John Smith led the team with 16 points, followed by forward Michael Johnson with 14 points. Center Tim Davis scored 12 points, and forward Alex Thompson added 10.

Pigeon news

BY DOROTHY ODERE

(News and Observer) — The Pigeon Mountains are buzzing with activity as the 2021-2022 bowling season kicks off.

In the T inviting competition, the Pigeon River Yamboree will be hosting its annual tournament. The tournament is open to all bowlers, regardless of age or skill level.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, December 11th at the Pigeon River Community Center. Registration is required, and bowlers are encouraged to sign up early.

The tournament will feature a variety of different bowling events, including team play, individual play, and handicap play. Prizes will be awarded to the top performers in each category.

For more information, contact the Pigeon River Yamboree at (828) 925-5555 or visit their website at pigeonriver.org.

Eagles lose opener

The Catawba basketball team lost their season opener on Friday, November 4th.

The team was outscored by the opposing team, 95-71, in a disappointing start to the season. The Eagles' defense struggled to hold their opponents to just 48 points, while the offense was held to just 34 points.

On Saturday, the Eagles hosted a Comeback Classic against their rival, East Carolina. The Eagles were able to recover from their loss and secure a 76-70 victory, with guard Devonte Holmes scoring a game-high 24 points.

The Eagles will look to build on this win as they continue their season. Their next game is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9th, against the University of South Carolina Upstate.

St. John's Crusaders earn title

TOURNAMENT CHAMPS! The Crusaders of St. John's Lutheran Church opened their tournament with a bang, as they won the Michigan Lutheran Female Invitational Tournament on Saturday, November 13th. The defeat marked the biggest victory for the Crusaders in the tournament's history.

Team members are: Coach Steve Young, Lefty Roessel, Chris Schulte, Brian Przybylo, Danny Ebert and Bob Hesse. Standing is Coach Jim Bode, who is also a member of the team. The Crusaders also had four Thanks-You others.

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Bay Port RDLS welcomes Rev. Rice. This Sunday

Alvin Rice, M.D. CAPT Executive Director will be guest speaker at a fireside workbook dinner Sunday Dec. 11, 6:00 P.M. at the Sunodge Church of God in Menasha, Wisconsin. Dr. Rice is a highly respected specialist in Alcoholism. If you have a loved one with a problem, come and see the difference this program makes. Dr. Rice is a former missionary of 15 years in Malawi, an itinerant gospel preacher of Wayneton Michigan and a retired Navy doctor. He has spoken in over 200 churches and groups, sharing the gospel of Christ in Canada, the United States, Europe and Africa. His mission is to mobilize a team of doctors, nurses, counselors, and volunteers to be sent to the villages of Malawi to start a church in each village and build a clinic. The church extends a warm invitation to all to attend the work meeting and hear Dr. Rice. This program makes a difference!
Home for the Holidays

**Homes For The Holidays**

**Was a Huge Success On Sunday, Dec. 9**

We Offer Our Specials Thanks To Our Community For Your Very Warm Response To Our First Ever Pigeon Homes Tour. We Enjoyed Hosting You As Much As We Enjoyed The Tour!

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